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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FINE TUNES DO NOT CALL LIST

LINCOLN – The Do Not Call registry recently received a fine tuning from the Federal Government.

As it was originally conceived in 2003, registrations on the Do Not Call List were only valid for five years. With the date for registrations set to expire this year, Congress passed legislation making all registrations on the Do Not Call List permanent. Now, individuals need only to contact the Do Not Call List administrators if they want to cancel their registration or register a new telephone number.

The Nebraska Public Service Commission said this week that the prohibitions of the Do Not Call Registry extend to automatic dialers used for telemarketing purposes. The Commission went on to caution that some calls are exempt from Do Not Call limitations such as calls for political messages, charitable fundraising, and commercial contacts where a previous business relationship exists.

Complaints about violations of Do Not Call federal guidelines may be reported online at www.donotcall.gov. The Public Service Commission said it is important for consumers to include as much information about the offending call as possible such as time and date of the call, the company on whose behalf the call was made, and the type or subject matter of the call. "It is difficult to do anything about a call where there is no information," the Commission said.

The toll-free telephone number to make new registrations is 888-382-1222.